



**OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM 06-08**

# ASSASSIN COMPANY 299TH FSB

## Machine Gun, Caliber .50 M2 Training



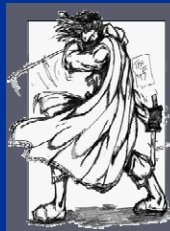
SGT Terrence Sizemore reads the steps of head space and timing for the M2 while SGT Michael Lippert demonstrates the procedures. Observing is SPC Geoffrey Jones and PFC Timothy Wire.



SGT Justin Koth and SGT Terrence Sizemore, both A-Co. 299<sup>th</sup> FSB Soldiers, conduct safety training on the M2.



The Assassins conduct hands on training with the new safety standards from TACOM.



All photos by SGT Shawanna Johnson



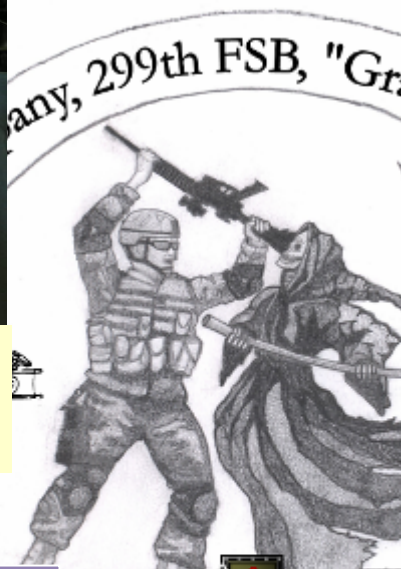
Walking through each step the Assassin Soldiers conduct the head space and timing in accordance with the new safety protocol.

# C-Co 299<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion

## Converting an M114 as a field expedient CASEVAC vehicle.



SFC Thomas Chick, a platoon Sergeant from C-Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB, adjusts the litter kit chains to accommodate a two patient configuration into a M114. Photo by SFC Diedra Williams.



SFC Diedra Williams, a Platoon Sergeant from C-Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB, makes final adjustments to the litter kit. Photo by SFC Thomas Chick.

WHO: Charlie Company, 299<sup>th</sup> FSB  
WHAT: Configuring an M114 to serve as a field expedient CASEVAC vehicle  
WHERE: 299<sup>th</sup> FSB Motorpool, VBC, Baghdad, Iraq  
WHEN: 03 JAN 07  
WHY: In order to provide another method of CASEVAC to Soldiers conducting patrols on the streets of Baghdad.



SFC Thomas Chick and SFC Diedra Williams test out the configuration. Photo by CPT Christopher McLean.

## 299<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion

### BANDITS IMPROVE THEIR WORK AREAS



CW3 Jimmie Cantrell (on the SEE) and CW3 Darrel Horton (forklift) , both from Bravo Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB, prepare to install a common ground for the Bandit's base shop shelters. Photo by CPT Mike McCarty.



SGT Brian Kelly and PFC Steven Handville from Bravo's Armament Section piece together the main supports for the Bandit's clam shell tent. Photo by CPT Mike McCarty.



SGT Kelly (left) and PFC Hanville (close right) put the finishing touches on one of the 13 support beams for the clam shell while CW3 Cantrell (deep right) QA/QCs their work. Photo by CPT Mike McCarty.

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## ASSASSIN COMPANY

### M240B Range



Alpha Company Soldiers, SPC Cynthia Brown and SPC Natalie Ourso are coached on proper firing techniques by SGT Ronnell Bell. Photo by SGT Lynell Mines.



SPC Evelyn Hedrick, a Soldier from Alpha Company's Distribution Platoon, loads her M240B for qualification. Photo by SPC Cynthia Brown.



CPT Padriac Finnerty, the range OIC, is coaching C Co's SPC Yadira Laborde. Photo by CPT Jeffrey Scott



Alpha Company Soldiers qualify with their M240Bs at the range. Photo by CPT Jeffrey Scott

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## BARRIER MISSION



SPC Fenel Philippe prepares his M1000 for uploading of barriers. Photo by SSG Mark McKain



PFC Timothy Hannah finishes strapping down the load on his M1074 Palletized Load System. Photo by SSG Mark McKain



Another M1120 LHS and trailer has been loaded and begins movement to staging area. Photo by SSG Mark McKain



PFC Desiree Hobbs and PFC Ashley Rechenbach (L to R) strap down two Alaska barriers. Photo by SSG Mark McKain

# BANDITS RECOVERY TEAM MAINTAINS



SSG Melvin Lee (right) holds the light and supervises SPC William Schoch as the Recovery Team completes the annual service on their M88. Photo by CPT Mike McCarty.



SSG Melvin Lee (left) and SFC Daniel Little (center) discuss the best way to secure a battle damaged HMMWV while PFC Randall Wach (right) continues to complete rehearsals. Photo by CPT Mike McCarty.



SPC Abigail Najera (left) and SPC Randall Wach (right) put the plan into action. Photo by CPT Mike McCarty



The Recovery Team's plan worked and they will drop the HMMWV and rehearse the battle drill again. Photo by CPT Mike McCarty.

## B Company 299<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion

### BANDIT'S DESIGN AND INSTRUCT THE INSTALLATION OF SNIPER SCREENING FOR JSS



CW3 Darrel Horton and members of Task Force 2-12 inventory the materials for the soon to be erected sniper screen. Photo by SSG Walter Crump.



SSG Walter Crump (center) begins the set up of the sniper screen for the JSS. Photo by CW3 Darrel Horton.



CW3 Darrel Horton inspects and supervises the set up and erection of the sniper screen. Photo by SSG Walter Crump.



Pictured is a finished portion of the sniper screen after CW3 Darrel Horton and SSG Walter Crump instructed members of Task Force 2-12 on how to erect. Photo by SSG Walter Crump.



# ***ASSASSIN COMPANY 299<sup>TH</sup> FSB***

## ***Ghazaliya COP Construction***



Assassin's staging trucks for the Ghazaliya Combat Outpost Wildcard construction.



Alpha Company's SPC Doris Baldelomar transports the 299<sup>th</sup> FSB's improvised fuel tank to the installation site.



SGT Marcus Evans emplaces a machine gunners Crow's Nest on top of COP Wildcard's CP.

***Assassins Lead The Way!!!!***



T-wall downloaded and emplaced by A Co. 299<sup>th</sup> FSB Soldiers.



Assassin company's vehicles, carrying T-walls, stage for download at COP Wildcard.

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## Preventive Medicine Education



The Preventive Medicine Section from HHC 299<sup>th</sup> FSB toured the Oasis Bottled Water Plant on 16 December 2006 to improve their knowledge of civilian services that affect Soldier health.

SPC George Soliz, Preventive Medicine Tech from HHC 299 FSB, observes water bottles entering the fill machine at the Oasis Water Bottling Plant on VBC. Photo by April Verlo



SPC George Soliz performs a QA/QC test of the pressure required to open a capped water bottle. Photo by April Verlo



Bruce Everson, Site Manager of the Oasis Bottled Water Plant on VBC discusses the physical characteristics of newly bottled water with SPC George Soliz, Preventive Medicine Tech from HHC 299 FSB (front), and SFC James Dick, Preventive Medicine NCO from 324 MP BN. Photo by April Verlo





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## Command Maintenance



Alpha  
Company's SPC  
Saundra  
Broadway  
supervises PV2  
Laci Adams  
conducting a  
proper PMCS on  
a M969A2 5000  
gal Fuel Tanker.  
Photo by SGT  
Shawanna Johnson



SSG Negron, Rafael and CPL Garcia, Abelardo  
check battery terminals as the company focus for  
command maintenance. Photo by SGT Shawanna  
Johnson



Assassin PFC Bryan Edmonds completes  
his checks under the hood of an M1151  
HMMWV for command maintenance. Photo by:  
SGT Shawanna Johnson



PFC Rebekah  
Pulido uses  
her manual to  
conduct  
PMCS on a  
10K ATLAS  
forklift from A  
Company's  
fleet. Photo by  
SGT Shawanna  
Johnson.

# BANDITS GAUGE NEW M240s FOR THE DAGGER BRIGADE

## STEP #1



Step 1: SPC Robin Reed and SPC Anita Castillo from B-Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB unload the new weapons and lay them out.

## STEP #3



Step 3: they begin to gauge all of the weapons which ensures all of the weapons parts are properly installed and function as a machine.

Recently the Dagger Brigade received brand new M240s. Before these weapons could be used they had to be inspected and gauged ensuring proper operation and safety, here is how it happened.

## STEP #2



Step 2: SPC Robin Reed and SPC Anita Castillo from B-Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB catalog the weapons and ensure the serial numbers match the serial numbers on their work orders.

## STEP #4



Step 4: the historical record paperwork showing the weapons were gauged is put with the individual weapon and boxed back up by SPC Robin Reed and SPC Anita Castillo from B-Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB; the weapons are now ready to be put in the fight.



Photos by: CPT William Perkins

## 299<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion

### General Schoomaker reenlists 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Combat Team Soldiers



General Schoomaker reenlists eleven 2 Brigade Combat Team Soldiers on 23 December 2006 at Camp Liberty, Iraq. Four 299<sup>th</sup> FSB Lifeline Soldiers participated in this Dagger Mass Reenlistment Ceremony. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.



General Schoomaker presents SGT Christian Bagwell, 299<sup>th</sup> FSB S-6 Foreman, a Chief of Staff coin and knife. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.



General Peter Schoomaker congratulates SPC William Schoch, a B-Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB mechanic, on his reenlistment for 5 years and Choice of Assignment to Ft Carson, CO. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.

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## CHIEF OF STAFF, GENERAL SCHOOMAKER VISITS 299<sup>TH</sup> FSB LIFELINERS



General Peter Schoomaker talks to 299<sup>th</sup> FSB Lifeline Soldiers as they prepare for a Combat Logistics Patrol for the following day. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.



General Peter Schoomaker gives SPC Amanda White, SSG John Taylor, and 1LT John Mauro, 299<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion Gun Truck Platoon Soldiers, a Chief of Staff coin and congratulates them on doing a good job. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.



299<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion Lifeline Soldiers pose for a picture with General Peter Schoomaker. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.

# 299<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion Presents APACHE Re-up



SPC Tajuanna Harrison from A Co. 299<sup>th</sup> FSB chose this APACHE as the background display for her reenlistment ceremony. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.



CW2 Jerome Doaty from B Co. 299<sup>th</sup> FSB reenlists SPC Tajuanna Harrison in Taji, Iraq in front of an APACHE. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.



CW2 Jerome Doaty congratulates SPC Tajuanna Harrison on her reenlistment. Photo by SSG Hazell Belvin.

# Assassin Company 299<sup>th</sup> FSB

## HET Recovery of a Battle Damaged Predator UAV



Team-work between SGT Charles Helm and SPC John Vanbeek allows for the smooth up-load of a wing.



Chief Petty Officer MarkJon Nichols and SPC Antonio Manzano prepare for up-load.



SSG Nicholas Siegel up-loading damaged pieces.



1SG Shawn Nelson, SGT Michael Lippert, SPC Lloyd Lightfoot, and SFC Little secure the remainder of the aircraft to the HET for return to Camp Liberty.



Photos by SGT Chiloh Williamson



PFC Chance Powelson readies the aircraft for tie-down to the HET.

*FOB Falcon, Baghdad*